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at1124exam: Radicals and Squares (v921)

Question 1

Simplify the radical expressions.

$$\sqrt{98}$$

$$\sqrt{8}$$

$$\sqrt{27}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{7 \cdot 7 \cdot 2}}{7\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

Question 2

Find all solutions to the equation below:

$$6((x - 10)^2 - 7) = 54$$

First, divide both sides by 6.

$$(x - 10)^2 - 7 = 9$$

Then, add 7 to both sides.

$$(x - 10)^2 = 16$$

Undo the squaring. Remember the plus-minus symbol.

$$x - 10 = \pm 4$$

Add 10 to both sides.

$$x = 10 \pm 4$$

So the two solutions are $x = 14$ and $x = 6$.

Question 3

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation. *You must show work for full credit!*

$$x^2 - 10x = -16$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 25 = -16 + 25$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 25 = 9$$

$$(x - 5)^2 = 9$$

$$x - 5 = \pm 3$$

$$x = 5 \pm 3$$

$$x = 8 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

Question 4

Any quadratic function, with vertex at (h, k) , can be expressed in vertex form:

$$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

A quadratic function is shown below in standard form.

$$y = 2x^2 - 20x + 56$$

Express the function in **vertex form** and identify the **location** of the vertex.

From the first two terms, factor out 2 .

$$y = 2(x^2 - 10x) + 56$$

We want a perfect square. Halve -10 and square the result to get 25 . Add and subtract that value inside the parentheses.

$$y = 2(x^2 - 10x + 25 - 25) + 56$$

Factor the perfect-square trinomial.

$$y = 2((x - 5)^2 - 25) + 56$$

Distribute the 2.

$$y = 2(x - 5)^2 - 50 + 56$$

Combine the constants to get **vertex form**:

$$y = 2(x - 5)^2 + 6$$

The vertex is at point $(5, 6)$.